

out and reserved for that Purpose, and to direct the Management of the said Wharf and Store-house, and also to grant them such farther Privileges for the Advancement of the Trade, and good Regulation of the said Town, as may seem most fit and agreeable to encourage the Settlement thereof: For the Encouragement therefore of the said Petitioners, and Others well disposed to forward the Trade and Advancement of the said Town, represented to be most conveniently situated for the Trade of all Sorts of Grain; Flour, Flax-Seed, and such like Commodities;

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II. Be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That Col. Thomas Colvill, Capt. Nicholas Hyland, Mr. Benjamin Pearce, Mr. Henry Baker, Mr. Zebulon Hollingsworth, Mr. John Read, and Mr. Benjamin Chew, be, and are hereby appointed Commissioners, for laying out the said Money so advanced and collected as aforesaid; as also for receiving, collecting, and laying out all such Sum or Sums of Money, that shall be advanced or given by any Person or Persons, for the said Uses; and that the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, be, and are hereby directed and empowered to lay out the said public Money already received, or which shall be by them hereafter received; in the most careful and speedy Manner, by agreeing with sufficient and able Workmen, to build the said Public Wharf, Store-house, or Store-houses, in such Place and Manner on the Ground aforesaid, as to the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall seem most commodious for the Trade and Advantage of the said Town.

Commissioners appointed to lay out the same or other Money given for the same Use, in Building a Public Wharf and Store-houses.

III. And be it further Enacted, That no Commissioner shall directly or indirectly be any way concerned in any Bargain or Contract, to be made with any Workman or Workmen, for Building the said Wharf and Store-houses, or any other public Buildings, so as to receive any Profit or Advantage thereby, on the Penalty of Fifty Pounds Current Money, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed, and applied to the Use of such public Building; and that the said Workmen shall declare upon Oath (if required by the said Commissioners) the Names of all such Persons as are joined and concerned with them, in the said Contracts or Agreements.

No Commissioner to be concerned in any Contract for Building the same, on Penalty of 50 l.

IV. And be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That the Commissioners aforesaid, or the Commissioners for the Time being, shall keep a fair and particular Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of this and all other public Money by them received for the Uses aforesaid, and shall annually lodge a Copy thereof with the Clerk of Cecil County, signed by the Commissioners, or the major Part of them, and which Account the said Clerk shall Copy, and insert in the Record Book kept for the Use of the said Town, without Fee.

The Commissioners annually to lodge a fair Account of their Receipts and Disbursements with the County Clerk.

V. And be it also Enacted, That when the said Wharf and Store-house and Houses shall be built, the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall appoint a Person of good Repute and Skill in the Goodness and Quality of Flour, Wheat, and other Grain, to be Wharfinger and Store-house-keeper to the said Wharf and Store-houses; which said Officer shall give sufficient Security in the Name of the Lord Proprietary of this Province, in the Sum of One Hundred Pounds Current Money, for the true and faithful Discharge of his said Office, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act hereafter expressed.

A Wharfinger or Store-house-keeper to be appointed;

VI. And to secure the People living at a Distance, as well as those in or near the said Town, to have their Grain and other Commodities safely and securely Stored, at reasonable Rates, and have utmost Assurance of punctual

And furnished with seal'd Measures.